

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action dated December 5, 2005, Applicants hereby provisionally elect claims 15-35 being readable thereon, drawn to a method for recording a digital video image for continued examination with traverse.

The Office Action has required restriction between invention I, claims 1-14, drawn to a system for recording a digital video image, and invention II, drawn to a method for recording a digital video image, claims 15-35. Further, the Office Action states invention I and invention II are patentably distinct inventions. Applicants submit that claims 1-35 are so closely related to each other, they would not be a serious burden for the Examiner to examine all of these claims at this time. Claims 1-14 are drawn to a system for recording a digital video image, and claims 15-35 are drawn to a method corresponding to its use.

MPEP § 803 directs as follows (emphasis added): "If the search and examination of **>all the claims in an** application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine **>them** on the merits, even though **>they include** claims to independent or distinct inventions." Applicants submit that MPEP § 803 applies to claims 1-35, as they should be examined together.

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CONCLUSION

Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact Applicants' attorney at 404.954.5040.

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